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Letter dated 10 June 2002 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a statistical table showing the number of Israeli violations of Lebanese sovereignty during the month of May 2002 (see annex).

These Israeli violations and acts of aggression against Lebanese sovereignty by air, land and sea constitute violations of the Blue Line and of Security Council resolution 425 (1978) and represent a threat to stability in the region by spreading an atmosphere of tension.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 42, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Houssam Asaad **Diab**
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Annex

Information summary

Statistical table showing the number of Israeli violations during the month of May 2002

Air violations					*Land violations*				
Military jet	*Reconn-aissance*	*Heli-copter*	*Total*	*Sea violations*	*Military acts of aggression*	*Field violations*	*Breaches*	*Total violations*	*Remarks*
				Crossing of regional waters, shooting of fireballs	Air raids, shelling of military locations and important centres	Artillery shelling, firing, infiltration, setting up of installations within Lebanese territory	Threats and displaying of weapons, bulldozing of soil, placing of barbed wire inside Lebanese territory		Total number of violations during the previous month 87 The table does not include violations in the occupied Kafr Shuba hills and Shebaa Farms areas, inasmuch as these are considered military operations areas.
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